

Risk Factors of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus in Middle and Elderly Urban Population of Cuttack City

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Abstract-

Background- Type 2 diabetes is one of the major public health problems in India. Diabetes can affect almost every organ in the body, causing blindness, kidney disease, amputation, and increased risk of stroke, heart disease, peripheral neuropathy.

Objectives: 1. To detect the spread of type 2 diabetes in Urban Population of Cuttack City 2. How obesity is associated with Diabetes Mellitus

Methods: A community-based study was conducted from March 2013 to Feb 2014 at the SCB Medical College gym, at the Jobra urban health center. A collection sample method was used using a total of 502 participants and a pre-developed proforma interviewed.

Results: The prevalence of Mellitus diabetes in the current study was 19.5%. Diabetes mellitus gradually increases over the years ($X^2 = 12.24$, $df = 3$, $p = 0.0066$). Type Diabetes Mellitus most closely related to duration of exercise ($X^2 = 4.37$, $1df$, $P = 0.03$), family history of Diabetes ($X^2 = 136.1$, $4df$, $p = 0.001$), Weight Index ($X^2 = 58.18$, $3df$, $p < 0.001$).

Keywords- *Diabetes, Risk factors, prevalence, Duration of Exercise, Family history, BMI.*

Introduction-

Diabetes mellitus, long considered a major challenge of Public Health, now appears as one of the major threats to human health in the 21st century.¹ The last two decades have seen a dramatic increase in the number of people diagnosed with diabetes. all around the world. The World Health Organization (WHO) estimates that 135 million people were diabetic in 1995 and that number will increase to 300 million by 2025.²

India currently has the largest number of people with diabetes in the world with an estimated 19.4 million people. This is expected to be 57.2 million by 2025The city centers are the nation's diabetic capitals and every sixth person has type 2 diabetes which is 16.6% prevalence.³ Type 2 Diabetes mellitus is the most common type of diabetes worldwide. This type of diabetes is considered to be a lifestyle disorder. Hidden genetic predisposition is revealed in the presence of natural factors such as sedentary lifestyles, changes in eating habits from junk food to high-calorie foods, high carbohydrate intake and the stress of urban life.⁴

This is causing great concern as the cost of treating diabetes begins to weigh heavily on health resources.⁵ In Type 2 diabetes the risk of some of these complications (eg cardiovascular disease), may begin even before the onset of diabetes. People with diabetes have a 25 chance of blindness, 17 chances of kidney disease, 30-40 times major cuts, 2 - 4 chances of myocardial infarction and a double chance of developing diabetes^{6,7,8}.

Diabetes mellitus reflects what happened in Iceberg, where an unknown illness surpassed a known illness. The

disease itself begins in a subtle way, with subtle symptoms of malaise, polydipsia, polyphagia and polyuria. Diagnosis is made during a routine medical examination or when a patient has complications.

A few factors have been involved in the etiology of diabetes mellitus. These include environmental considerations, nationality, genetics, socioeconomic status, social and cultural patterns, food status, gender and biodiversity. In most comprehensive studies not a single factor has been identified in the cause. Thus, preventing diabetes or the initial delay of diabetes even in a single patient demonstrates victory in the health care system and the national economy.

The objectives of our research were to:

1. Detecting the prevalence of type 2 diabetes in the suburbs of Cuttack City
2. Identify certain known risk factors associated with Type 2 Mellitus Diabetes

Methodology-

The present study was carried out in the urban health centre area Jobra, Cuttack for a period of one year from March 2013 to Feb 2014 (including analysis and conclusions). A cross-sectional community based study was conducted among the 35 years and above general population of field practice area of SCB Medical College. The urban health training centre Jobra, falls under Municipal Corporation of Cuttack, Government of Odisha. The area of urban health training centre has divided into 33 under developed slums and 8 developed slums and covers a total population of 18,902.

In this study "clusters sampling" method was used. This urban health centre has fulfilled certain characteristics of cluster sampling methods. Instead of villages or hamlets this was divided into developed as well as under developed slums and the clusters should be more than 30 each. Hence, this area was selected and cluster sampling method was used.

In the cluster sampling method, initially we found the sample interval, which can be obtained by dividing the total number of clusters to the total population or cumulative population of the urban health centre area and found the sample interval was 1784. Hence, this value fallen in 1st slum area and to get the 2nd cluster add this value to the first cluster population. Similarly to get the 3rd cluster, sample interval plus 2nd cluster number and so on. That's how clusters are made till the required number of clusters (33).

Selection of the Households

In each cluster, first reached the centre of the slum where the 3 or 4 roads are meeting one another. There selected the one of the lane by lottery based after giving the lanes number. Even in the lane also picked up a random number from currency note to start the household survey. If the random number is 3, then the survey started from the 3rd house onwards. In one house we got 3 eligible age group persons then taken the history of all the three persons. If there are no eligible age group persons in the house, then moved to another house till get the required sample in each cluster.

Sample size for this study can be drawn from prevalence of diabetes mellitus on Cuttack urban population published previously. In this study prevalence was shown to be 16.7%, and allowable error taken as 20% and formulae¹³ used here is $4PQ / L^2$. A pilot study was conducted and tested and the actual study was started after making necessary corrections and advised in it. A total of 502 patients or persons were screened for diabetes mellitus and preventive measures were suggested to them during the one year period.

Diagnostic Criteria: As per the American diabetes association, whose fasting blood sugar more than 126 mg / dl with symptoms can be considered as Diabetic individual. Necessary statistical tests like Percentages, chi square test and Z tests were applied for statistical analysis.

Results-

The present study was conducted on 502 individuals selected in Urban community by cluster sampling method and examined over a period of one year. Of these, the prevalence (old and new cases) of Diabetes mellitus was 19.5% (98 / 502). About 11.3% (57) were found to be impaired glucose tolerance people and 69.1% (347) people have normal glycaemic status.

Table:1. Prevalence Of Diabetes Mellitus In The Study Population

Among Study Population	No of cases	Prevalence per 100 study population
Diabetic people	98	19.5%
IGT	57	11.35%
Normal people	347	69.15%
Total	502	100%

DM – Diabetes Mellitus, IGT- Impaired glucose tolerance

Table2.DistributionofDiabetesMellitusinrelationtotheSocio-demographicCharacteristics:

Ageofthestudypopulation	DMpresent		DMabsent		Total		StatisticalTests
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
35-44	13	10.0	117	90.0	130	100	X ² =12.24,df=3,p=0.0066
45-54	46	21.2	171	78.8	217	100	
55-64	28	27.7	73	72.3	101	100	
e”65	11	2.03	43	79.7	54	100	
Total	98	19.5	404	80.5	502	100	
Sexwise							X ² =0.71,1df,P=0.39
Male	48	18.2	217	81.8	265	100	
Female	50	21.1	187	78.9	237	100	
Total	98	19.5	404	80.5	502	100	

Table3:DistributionofDiabetesMellitusinrelationtocertainriskfactors:

FamilyHistory	DMpres ent		DMabse nt		T o t a l		StatisticalTests
	N o. .	%	N o. .	%	N o. .	%	
							X ² =12.24,df=3,p=0.0066
DiabetesMellitusfam ilymembers	5 7	6 3. 7	3 3	3 6. 3	9 0		Relativerisk38.6,Oddsratio15.6X ² =1 36.1,4df,p=0.001
Otherdiseasesfamilymembers	4 1	9. 9	3 7 1	9 0. 1	4 1 2	1 0 0	
Total	9 8	1 9. 5	4 0 4	8 0. 5	5 0 2	1 0 0	
BodyMassIndex							
<18.5	0 1	1 4. 3	0 6	8 5. 7	0 7 0	1 0 0	X ² =58.18 3df,p<0.001
18.5-24.99	3 4	1 0. 1	2 9 8	8 9. 9	3 3 2	1 0 0	
25-29.99	5 7	3 7. 5	9 5	6 2. 5	1 5 2	1 0 0	
30>	0 6	5 4. 5	. 5 5	4 5. 5	1 1 0	1 0 0	

Total	98	19	40	80	50	10	
Duration of exercise							
<30min/day	18	38	29	61	47	10	Relative risk 38.2, Odds ratio 2.48; X ² =4.37, 1df, P=0.03
>30min/day	12	20	48	80	60	10	
Total	30	28	77	72	107	10	

Discussion-

The present study was conducted at the urban health centre Jobra, urban community of Cuttack during the period of one year from March 2013 to Feb 2014. A total of 502 study population were examined of whom 98 (19.5%) were found to be diabetes mellitus and 57 (11.3%) were found to be impaired glucose tolerance group. The prevalence of the diabetes mellitus in the present study was 19.5% and similar finding was observed with Ramachandran A, Snehalatha C et al³ found the prevalence was 16.6% in Hyderabad. Similarly, according to Bai PV, Krishna Swamy CV et al the prevalence was found to be 17.4% in Chennai Urban Population. This study has concordance with the Kutty VR et al¹⁶ who observed a prevalence of 16.9% in Tiravananthapuram Urban Population. Wesk SK Munoz Betal found to be 21.4% in the age group of 40 years and above.

The prevalence of type 2 diabetes mellitus in this study was higher among females at 21.1%, than males at 16.2%. However, this difference was not statistically significant ($P > 0.05$). Several other researchers have had similar findings. Asha Bai PV, Murthy BN et al²³ found the prevalence was 10.5% in females aged ≥ 40 yrs and 9.2% in males and in the prevalence of Diabetes mellitus and females was statistically significant ($P < 0.05$). Misra A, Pandey RM et al²⁴ conducted a study in Delhi and they opined that diabetes mellitus was recorded in 11.2% of males and 9.9% of females. Some of the other studies show no gender difference. Ramachandran A et al concluded that prevalence of diabetes mellitus does not have any gender difference.

In the present study, among exercise practicing people 30.6% prevalence of diabetes was observed and 69.4% prevalence observed in exercise not practicing people. The association between the practice of exercise and diabetes mellitus was statistically significant ($p < 0.05$). Several other researches found the same results. Naem AG conducted a study in Kashmir men and stated that exercise is inversely related with diabetes mellitus. Ramachandran A, Snehalatha C et al¹⁷ stated that diabetes mellitus is indirectly related with the duration of exercise. According to Ferry J¹⁴ stated that persons who were undergone physical activity less than half an hour per day were inversely related with diabetes mellitus. Among diabetics, 58.2% were giving family history of diabetes and significantly associated with the type 2 diabetes mellitus in the present study. Several researchers found the same finding i.e. 53.1% were giving family history of diabetes. This finding was correlated with De Silva SN, Weerasuriya N et al¹⁹ (2002) conducted a study in Sri Lanka, Oneyemere KV, Lipton RB et al²⁵ conducted a study in Chicago and concluded that a positive parental history of DM appears to be more strongly economic related to childhood type 2 than type 1 Diabetes Mellitus. A similar finding was observed with the Ramachandran A, Snehalatha C et al²⁰ found that families with a positive family history of diabetes significantly associated with the type 2 diabetes mellitus.

Body mass index (BMI) is a very important tool in the measurement of obesity. In the present study, 54.5% of diabetics were in 30 plus range, 37.7% of diabetics were in 25-29.99 ranges, 10.1% of diabetics were in 18.5-24.99 range and 14.2% of diabetics were in < 18.5 range. Prevalence of type 2 diabetes mellitus associated with the high BMI ($> 25 \text{ kg / m}^2$) and statistically significant ($\chi^2=58.18, p < 0.001$). This study correlated with the Vikram NK, Misra AD et al¹⁸ conducted a study in New Delhi and defined that cut offs for defining obesity by

BMI are lower than the suggested limit of 25 kg / m². Most of the studies revealed that BMI associated with type 2 diabetes.

Based on the above results, simple life style modifications like practicing exercise and correction of obesity would decrease the burden of type 2 Diabetes Mellitus some extent in the future among the general population especially in the age group of 35 years and above group both in males and females.

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